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Racehorse's Plight Shines Light on Illegal Slaughter Farms

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This article was about an illegal slaughter farm found in Miami, Florida. A horse named Freedom Flight was one of the horses found on this horrible farm. His most noticeable feature was his broken leg that was receiving no medical attention. How did this happen? Well, his leg broke right in half out of the gate at Miami’s Gulfstream race track. He was sold to an illegal slaughter farm for fifty dollars and he was limping around on his broken leg with sores that covered his entire body. He was sold for his horse meat. Couto and the South Florida Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals found Freedom Flight with his bones sticking out of his muddy coat. He was rescued and within eighteen months he looked like the gorgeous racehorse that he truly was. This all happened within the year of 2007.

This article made me so angry. These people are **illegally** hurting animals and don’t care enough to feel bad about it. Also, this article made me feel sad for poor Freedom Flight. He suffered a broken leg and they were too cheap to help him. Horses stand **all** of the time so he was suffering 24/7.

A question I still have after reading this article is where do these people buy the farm animals to slaughter? Also is there a difference in price between a baby pig and a father pig?

This article relates to my topic because it involves animals whose rights are being abused in so many ways. It is suspected that there are one hundred other illegal slaughter farms near the Miami area so help and support the animals in your community. To reduce the amount of animal abuse each year. Do you think it is right that Freedom Flight and animals like him live in an area with blood on the floor, dirty and bloody butcher knives and terrible stench?